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BIT OF ADVICE

Retired Washington Post editor Bill Elsen will be in Wells Hall 232 6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 9, to discuss with students what to expect with their first job in the media. The event is sponsored by Society of Professional Journalists.

POETRY READING

James Richardson will have a poetry reading tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Union Boardroom.

LIKE TO WRITE?

Scribblers meets every Tuesday at the Station at 8 p.m. Creative writing, poetry and fiction are all shared and created during this time.

FRIDAY

The University Health Center will be closed Nov. 3 due to construction. Appointments can still be made that day; however, no patients will be seen.

SATURDAY

Fall Classic V: Football vs. Pittsburg State, 2 p.m., Arrowhead Stadium, Kansas City. See Section B for a full preview.

SUNDAY

Bearcat Marching Band Showcase, 3 p.m.

MONDAY

John Louder Painting Exhibit opens, lecture and reception, 7 p.m., 244 Fine Arts

TUESDAY

Madralier/Flute Choir Concert, 8 p.m., Charles Johnson Theater

WEDNESDAY

Last date to drop second-block course.

HEARTLAND VIEW

The new Heartland View Web site is up and running. Check it out at Heartlandview.com

KNWT CHANNEL 8 PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE

Monday-Thursday
7 p.m. Etc.
7:30 p.m. Inside Northwest
8 p.m. Bearcat Update
8:30 p.m. Bearcat Idol

NWMissouriNews.com

Visit the web for:

Visit our online edition see a multi-media package of the 3rd Annual Northwest Powow, compiled by NWMissouriNews.com Reporter Kyle Martin.



ASA DINNER

Asian Student Association members help Chris King close the dinner Friday night with a song. The third Annual ASA dinner included traditional Asian cuisine, music, and a presentation by the Japanese Lesson students.

photo by misty kucinski | contributing photographer

PHOTO SUBMISSIONS
Did you dress up for trick-or-treating as a kid?
Did you carve any awesome-looking pumpkins?
Send us your photos to northwestmissourian@hotmail.com for a chance to be published in an upcoming issue of the Northwest Missourian.

BEARCAT INJURED

Running back LaRon Council gets transported off the field during the University of Central Missouri game Saturday.



photos by kelli white | photography editor

(top) A little girl attends the powwow with her family. **(bottom)** As part of the Potawatomi tribe, Krysallin Ahtone dances during the powwow Saturday. This year marks the third year that Northwest has hosted the event.

handful of tribes from across the Great Plains, who gathered Saturday at Bearcat Arena for the 3rd Annual Northwest Powwow.

Dancers, singers and drummers of all ages, along with their families and friends, came for intertribal fellowship and to compete for a combined purse of \$4,000.

"It's great meeting new people and also seeing familiar faces. You see this person then that person. We're all one big family," Ahtone said.

The festivities began with two grand entries, during which the Haskell Color Guard, representing current and former American Indians serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, led the dancers into the arena.

"We think about all our young men and women in the Middle East during this time of conflict," said emcee Manny King. "We always have the color guard lead us (into the arena) to honor them."

Following the entrances, and the playing of the "Flag Song," the American Indian equivalent to "The Star-Spangled Banner," the dancers began showing their stuff in several

see POWWOW on 6A

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TO VOTE:

■ Missouri registered student voters must visit the First Christian Church Tuesday, Nov. 7, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.
■ Students can travel home on Sunday, Nov. 4 and vote from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

A nother reason for not having a place to vote on campus is because of new voting equipment and the possibility of needing a photo ID to vote in the state of Missouri eventually, Walker said.

Registration cards are in the back of student planners and a link on the Student Affairs Web site are some of the ways the University is trying to make more students become active in the voting process, Elliot said.

"It would have been nice but we need to be sensitive to the needs of Nodaway County," Elliot said about

see VOTING on 6A

Yearbook attains coveted Pacemaker

Lindsay Jacobs
Chief Reporter

The 2005 Tower yearbook received a prestigious award making it ranked in the top 1 percent of the yearbooks in the country.

A Pacemaker was awarded on Saturday Oct. 28 in St. Louis during the Associated Collegiate Press convention.

The Pacemaker is awarded to college publications and is equivalent to the Pulitzer Prize. Being nominated for a Pacemaker puts a printed or online edition in the top 2 percent in the country.

Laura Widmer, student publications director, said judges sort through all submitted editions and pick Pacemaker finalists. After the finalists are picked judges go through and select the Pacemaker winners.

The Northwest Missourian and

the Northwest Missourian Online Edition were also up for a Pacemaker.

"I was elated the newspaper, the online and yearbook were Pacemaker finalists," Widmer said.

Northwest was the only school in the nation to have those three categories nominated for Pacemakers.

Kara (Swink) Petrovic was the editor-in-chief of the Tower during the 2004-05 school year said

see PACEMAKER on 6A

Talent visits Maryville

Northwest Missouri welcomes Senator to speak on initiatives

Dominic Genetti
Community Editor

While Kansas City, St. Louis and Jefferson City are frequent visits; Republican Sen. Jim Talent made a stop in Maryville Oct. 26 to meet with area citizens at the Nodaway County Republican headquarters speaking on national and statewide initiatives.

Introduced by fellow Republican Brad Lager, Talent began speaking about Missouri and the significant role the state plays in the upcoming election.

"Missouri is a battle ground state," Talent said. "It's called that for a reason and it makes Missouri politics fun."

He went on to speak about the renewable fuel standard and the energy bill.

"Renewable fuel standard requires the oil companies to buy ethanol," Talent said. "They kept it bottled up for years. They wouldn't buy it privately because they don't produce ethanol and they kept it bottled up in Congress."

However, Talent said Congress broke the companies' opposition when the energy bill progressed.

"Now we have a new market," Talent said. "They [oil



Sen. Jim Talent visits with supporters during a campaign stop at the Nodaway County Republican headquarters in Maryville. companies] have to buy 7.5 billion gallons [of ethanol] by year 2012. The result of that is billions of dollars being invested, most of it coming from local investors in ethanol and bio-diesel.

Continuing with the benefits of ethanol, Talent discussed jobs and the environment.

see TALENT on 6A

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photo by bobby taylor | assistant photography editor

CAMPUSBRIEFS

Career Services offers government jobs seminars

Northwest's Career Services Office will sponsor two seminars titled, "Federal Jobs/Internships: Pathways to a Career in Government" on Thursday, Nov. 9, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Boardroom.

The first seminar will take place from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and the second from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The sessions are open to all students interested in working in the U.S. government.

The seminars will feature a panel whose members represent a number of federal offices and agencies. Participants include: the Office of Personnel Management, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration and the Social Security Administration.

For more information call Career Services at 562-1250.

Ventriloquist Dunham to perform at Mary Linn

Northwest's Student Activities Council will host comedy ventriloquist Jeff Dunham at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Doors open at 7 p.m. Comedian Andrew Kennedy will open the show.

Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for the general public. They can be purchased at the Student Services Desk on the first floor of the Administration Building from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by phone at 562-1212.

Marching band 'Showcase' celebrates 2006 season

The Bearcat Marching Band will perform during a special "Showcase" event celebrating its 2006 season at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5, in Bearcat Arena.

The performance will also feature the Platte County High School Pirate Pride Marching Band, Bearcat Steppers, Northwest Flags, twirler Lori Hansen and the Bearcat Marching Band Drumline.

Northwest students to perform Bible-related production

Northwest students will perform "Godspell" on Thursday, Nov. 9, through Sunday, Nov. 12, at Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Amanda Petrich-Schirmer, assistant professor of theater at Northwest, is directing the production.

The musical is the Book of Matthew set to music, according to Northwest junior Kat Dornell. "Godspell" tells the life of Jesus Christ. It starts by describing how people decided to follow Jesus and ends with Jesus' death.

Northwest senior Michael Padden is the stage manager for "Godspell." He acts as a liaison between the designers and the rest of the cast. Padden agrees with Dornell's belief that "Godspell" will be a unique production.

"Godspell" is based on an interesting concept. It is set on the ruins of a broken down society," Padden said.

He also believes students will be able to relate to the musical and the characters.

Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$7 and tickets are available at the Mary Linn box office.

Stem cell forum held to raise awareness

Jessica Schmidt and Evan Young
Managing Editor and University Editor

With the Missouri Mid-term election just around the corner, two Northwest student organizations tried to help students and area residents understand arguably the most complex and hotly debated issue on the ballot, Amendment 2.

Tri-Beta, biological society, and Phi Sigma Tau, philosophy honor society, sponsored a two-part series, "Stem Cell Research and Cures: Understanding the Initiative" on Wednesday, Oct. 25 and Thursday, Oct. 26.

On Wednesday, "Part I: The Science," was featured. Keith Gary, director of program development Kansas City Area Life Sciences Institute, spoke on the biological aspects of stem cell research.

During his presentation, Gary explained that somatic cell nuclear transfer (SCNT) does not produce a new individual. Gary also highlighted the differences between adult and embryonic stem research faces, Morris said.

"It hasn't even been 10 years since the first human embryonic stem cell line was formed," Gary said. "So we've got quite a bit to go."

Gary also emphasized that scientists are strictly against human cloning, and that this is a new field where much more research needs to be done before any treatments are available.

"No scientist I've talked to is for human cloning," Gary said. "People are worried that a black market will develop from this. People said the same thing about transplants, and sure enough, there was a black market. It's human nature. You are always going to have those who go upstream, away from civilization, that's why we need to make sure they get the strictest penalties."

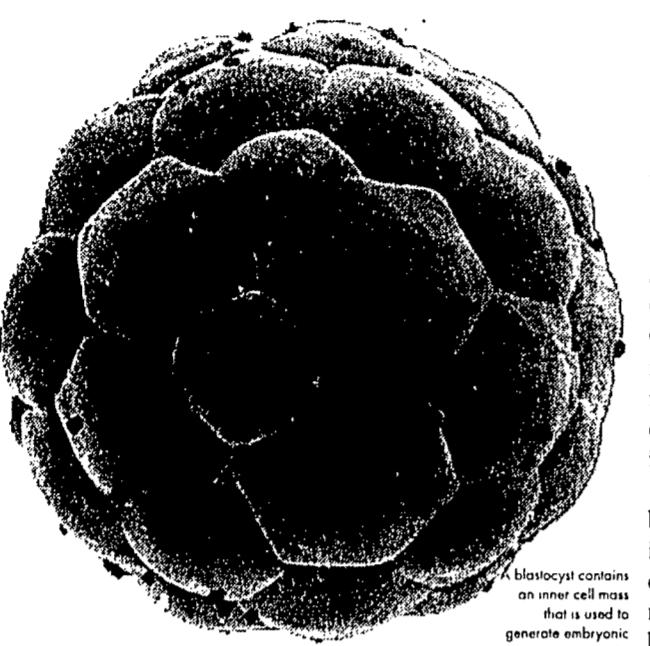
Northwest assistant professor of history, humanities, philosophy and political science, Dan Smith, spoke about the amendment's language and legal implications.

"The language of the proposal is problematic, but that does not mean the proposal is problematic," Smith said.

According to Smith, embryonic research is currently illegal in Missouri, but the passage of the initiative would trump previous state rulings. The initiative would also not allow any interference from the state legislature. Also, the amendment would not allow the legislature to deny funds for stem cell research.

"The whole purpose is to represent the will of the people of Missouri," Smith said. "The challenge for us as voters is to understand the issue."

Smith encouraged all voters to read the full version of the amendment online at Sos.mo.gov.



A blastocyst contains a morula, which is used to generate embryonic stem cells.

—S. K. W.

Nuclear threat not imminent

Tara Adkins
Features Editor

He left in 1972. Today, he has no intention of ever going back.

Although Kichoo Yang, Northwest's provost, feels no great threat, the recent North Korea nuclear tests have discouraged him from ever visiting his home country of South Korea again.

The detonation of a nuclear device fizzled a small impact on the earth but left Americans and South Koreans in fear of future war threat.

On Oct. 9, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in North Korea conducted a nuclear bomb test. France, Japan, United Kingdom and United States, have agreed to issue sanctions against North Korea in result.

"It has nothing to do with religious or ethnic disputes but it is merely a result of extreme political ideals in a perverse regime," Yang said.

The bomb's wave of damage measured a 4.2 on the Richter scale, which causes insignificant damage, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

However, the nuclear tests have left concern among Northwest students whose home country of South Korea remains aware of their neighbor's possible threat.

Hy Jin Yeo, Northwest exchange student, feels her country's relationship with North Korea is strictly based on helping the poverty-stricken Korean peninsula and not with the production and testing of nuclear weapons.

Contributing to help poor people is the only connection we have and we want to help and negotiate the problem of the nuclear tests to make a relationship," Yeo said. "If anything, Americans should be more fearful of us."

However, Northwest students have faith in their country's security as they are not feeling the wave of concern as people from across the world.

"I'm a little worried because they could eventually target us and we don't need another terrorist attack," senior Abby Kerner said. "But I feel that we don't need to worry about it too much because it was just a test and I feel secure here."

The U.S. State Department has dismissed any talks of the nuclear testing being over despite the South Korean Yonhap news agency reporting North Korean leader, Kim Jong Il guaranteed no future tests to China, according to CNN.

The United Nations Security Council has issued sanctions of international inspections on North Korea cargo. The United States said it will prevent North Korea from transferring hostile weapons of mass destruction groups and governments to the United States, according to ABC News.

However, scientists have agreed the test was a failure and North Korea's missiles are unlikely to carry a nuclear warhead especially that could reach the United States, according to CNN.

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OUR VIEW

Bittersweet Defeat

This time disappointment was bittersweet.

Four of the members of the *Northwest Missourian* sat anxiously in St. Louis as we waited to find out if we would place in the top 1 percent of college newspapers in the nation. But as the names of the winners flashed across in slideshow fashion, our faces dropped as the *Missourian* online and print edition weren't called.

A few months ago we found out that the Associated Collegiate Press nominated us for a Pacemaker, which puts us in the top 2 percent of college newspapers in the country—a feat that hasn't been accomplished in years. Our adviser, Laura Widmer, was also delighted that not only were we nominated, but *Tower* Yearbook was as well.

While we erupted with applause and cheers as we accepted *Tower*'s Pacemaker award because no one could attend the ceremony, we were struck with sadness when our names weren't called as well.

But, after this brief pity party, we began to smile again for we knew that even though we didn't place in the best of the best, we still accomplished so much by getting nominated in the first place.

We held our heads high as we left the room because we knew that weekend. After talking to numerous students from across the nation about their own student-led newspaper, we learned that we truly have something to be treasured at the *Missourian*.

Every countless hour in the basement of Wells Hall is not lost with the unclaimed Pacemaker. Many of us come in at 9 a.m. only to turn the keys in our ignitions at 2 a.m. some nights just to do what we love doing: writing quality stories, taking amazing photographs, and designing pages that serve our community to the best of our ability.

Sure, we are here for the experience and a chance to make our resumes stand out, but it's truly our love of the field of journalism that keeps us here day in and day out—literally.

So, maybe we didn't come in No. 1, but we think that's OK. We still plan on providing you the best coverage possible, events, sports, human interest pieces and all, and next year we'll submit entries again and take the lesson from the loss.

That's all you can really do: live and learn and know there's always next time.

We think this lesson also speaks much of life in general and a lesson could be learned by all of us.

Without the bitter, the sweet would never taste as good.

GOVERNOR'S COLUMN

Keeping students safe at school



Enhancing School Safety: A Dialog on Targeted School Violence
Recent events in schools across our nation and in Missouri have captured our attention and emphasized the importance of school safety. As a parent and governor, I can speak for all of us when I say that the quality education we want for our students is surpassed only by the expectation that our children be safe while they are at school.

The vast majority of our schools have not witnessed extraordinary violence, but we cannot take the lack of violence for granted. Safe and secure schools are a consequence of deliberate, proactive planning involving school boards and school personnel in partnership with state and local law enforcement, public health, and other first responders.

In September, my Homeland Security Advisory Council established a Safe School Working Group to ensure our state has a seamless approach to school safety. The group is evaluating an all-hazards planning tool for schools to address health safety issues and is examining the possibility of using Homeland Security grant money to expand the use of this tool to include preparation for a terrorist attack or a hostage situation.

This month I convened a school safety Internet broadcast called

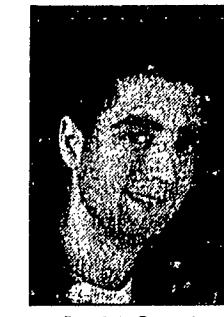
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COLUMN

McCaskill should make rebuttal appearance



Dominic Genetti
Columnist Editor

important views involving Maryville to get the support of northwest Missouri for his campaign, there is no doubt in my mind that Claire McCaskill should do the same.

Northwest Missouri is a region full of people with many different political views, both republican and democratic and to have one major political figure visit the region is not fair to the public.

Jim Talent's visit to this city, this county and this region helped his campaign and his party. Talent communicated with everyone who came to see him; tackling very

important views involving our state and our country, but his appearance alone showed that he cares about small town America and these people's vote.

Now, I'm not saying that McCaskill doesn't care, don't get me wrong, but when someone like Talent comes to the area to charge up Republicans, local Democrats are

going to wonder when their time is going to come for their representative or possible representative to make an appearance.

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speak with every community.

Sending out a representative can only go so far. People want to see and hear from the actual candidate.

I'm getting tired of little messengers running around telling me that I should vote for Talent or McCaskill. It may come as a shock to some politicians, but some people in this country, i.e. me, are neither democratic nor republican.

I am simply an American and as an American citizen I am going to choose who is the right person to go to represent Missouri in the U.S. Senate. It doesn't matter if they're black, white, male, female, republican or democrat.

The best way to make a decision is to hear the candidates. You

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I, like many, are still not sure who to vote for in this Senate race, but a visit from McCaskill can help me make my decision. This way on Nov. 7, I can go to the polls as an American voter and really truly vote for the candidate that deserves the job. I would be able to say that I heard from both candidates and not some intern with a blackberry.

To make a long story short, we're waiting for you Ms. McCaskill. When will you arrive in Maryville?

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sudanese flag absent at International Plaza

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I, like many, are still not sure who to vote for in this Senate race, but a visit from McCaskill can help me make my decision. This way on Nov. 7, I can go to the polls as an American voter and really truly vote for the candidate that deserves the job. I would be able to say that I heard from both candidates and not some intern with a blackberry.

To make a long story short, we're waiting for you Ms. McCaskill. When will you arrive in Maryville?

Important views involving our state and our country, but his appearance alone showed that he cares about small town America and these people's vote.

Now, I'm not saying that McCaskill doesn't care, don't get me wrong, but when someone like Talent comes to the area to charge up Republicans, local Democrats are

going to wonder when their time is going to come for their representative or possible representative to make an appearance.

The state of Missouri truly is a swing state. The votes in this state can go in any direction and it is best for the candidates to reach out and

speak with every community.

Sending out a representative can only go so far. People want to see and hear from the actual candidate.

I'm getting tired of little messengers running around telling me that I should vote for Talent or McCaskill. It may come as a shock to some politicians, but some people in this country, i.e. me, are neither democratic nor republican.

I am simply an American and as an American citizen I am going to choose who is the right person to go to represent Missouri in the U.S. Senate. It doesn't matter if they're black, white, male, female, republican or democrat.

The best way to make a decision is to hear the candidates. You

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Classic still popular after five years

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KANSAS CITY—In the sports world, Division I programs occupy the college football world.

With the Fall Classic between Northwest and Pittsburg State in its fifth year, it's remained a hot ticket around the area.

During Tuesday's news conference at Arrowhead Stadium, Kansas City Chiefs President and General Manager Carl Peterson spoke of the excitement of the game between "two outstanding football teams, outstanding athletic departments and outstanding universities."

"Each year, I look forward to this and I think a lot of our people do because it's exciting to have great college football players at Arrowhead Stadium," Peterson said.

"It's remained a challenge," said Northwest Athletic Director Bob Boerigter. "But it's one that we've been able to keep."

Northwest coach Mel Tjeerdema admitted that he had doubts, in the first year, about the success of a Division II football game in Arrowhead after attending the Big 12 Football Championship in 2000, which has been hosted by the Chiefs three times (2000, 2003, 2004).

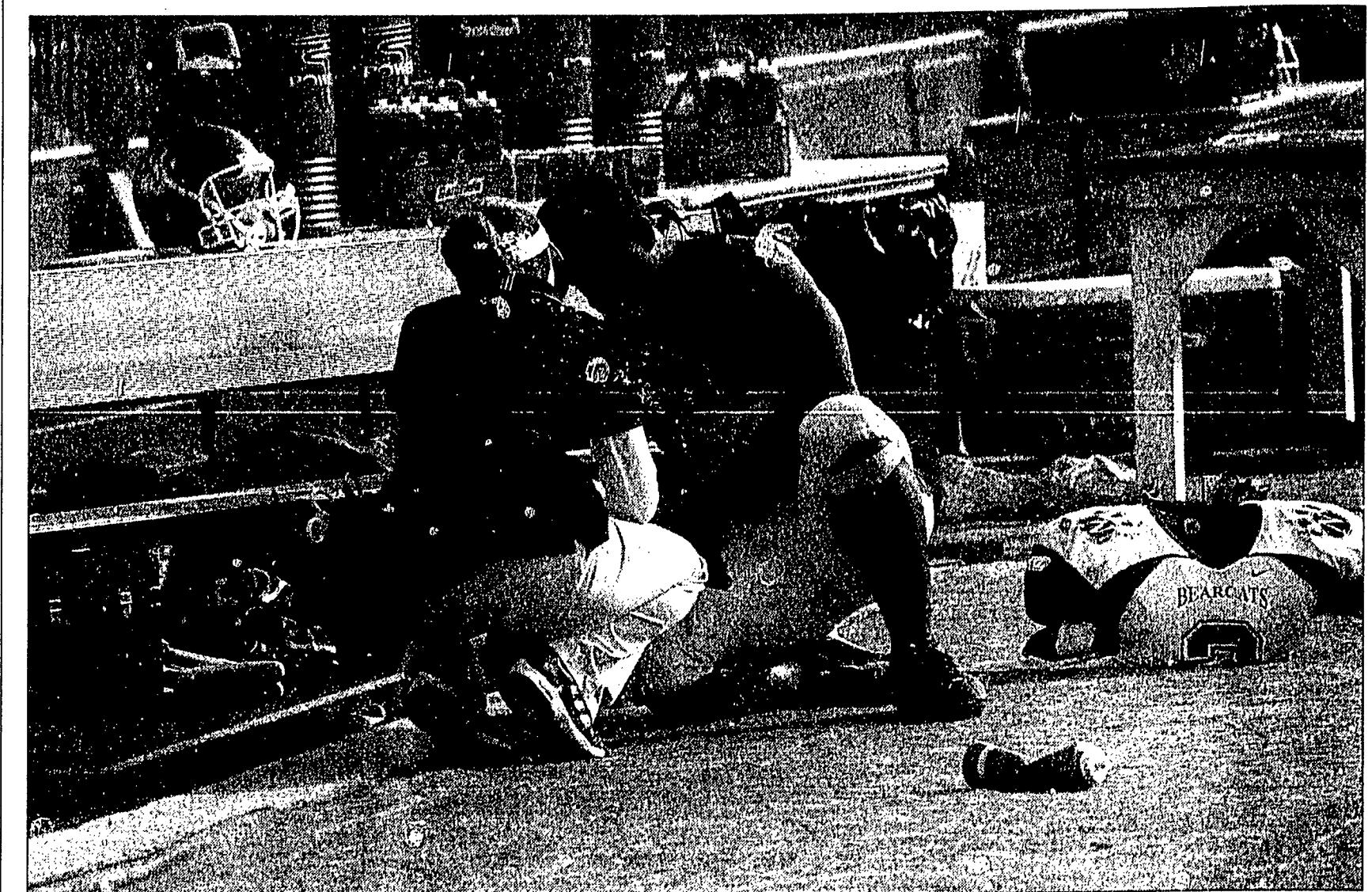
"When we came here for the first time, I had my doubts about how it was all going to work," Tjeerdema said. "As far as I'm concerned, we're treated just like the Big 12. That's meant more to me and to our staff and to our players than anything else is the fact the (Kansas City) Chiefs treat us the same."

The Fall Classic is scheduled to run through 2007.

"I think it's a great atmosphere for Division II football," Tjeerdema said. "The exposure we've got here in the last four years has been really good for the MIAA and Division II football in the Midwest."

With both schools less than two hours away from Kansas City, the event has certain recruiting advantages for both schools and for the Kansas City Chiefs. Chiefs Pro Bowl long snapper Kendall Gammon is an alumnus of Pittsburg State. Although Gammon never played in

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Athletic trainer Kelly Quinlin tends to running back Xavier Omon after he suffered an injury Saturday against the University of Central Missouri during a 31-14 win.

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Injuries hit 'Cats at inopportune time

Omon questionable for Saturday's game

Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

The Northwest athletic trainers are earning their paychecks.

Injuries for the Northwest football team continued to climb within the past month, after a fairly healthy first month of the season.

And on Saturday the team probably suffered the costliest hits of the season.

Starting running back Xavier Omon right now is the biggest question mark now after he took a blow to his side Saturday.

"Well, we're just not sure if he'll play; we're still exploring some possibilities," he said.

Omon injured a rib Saturday against the University of Central Missouri early in the third quarter. While the depth of the running back is pretty strong, just minutes later backup LaRon Council broke his leg on the same drive, ending his season.

"That was costly, wasn't it?" offensive line/running game coordinator Adam Dorrel said after Saturday's game. "It's frustrating."

Between them, Omon and Council have a combined 1,328 rushing yards on the season. Now the attention turns to backups Brant Gregg and Sheldon Cook, who have only carried the ball 32 times for 90 yards on the season.

Gregg filled in the hole Saturday for Council and Omon as he rushed 15 times for 20 yards and one touchdown. Cook did not play because of the limitations of a 54-man traveling roster.

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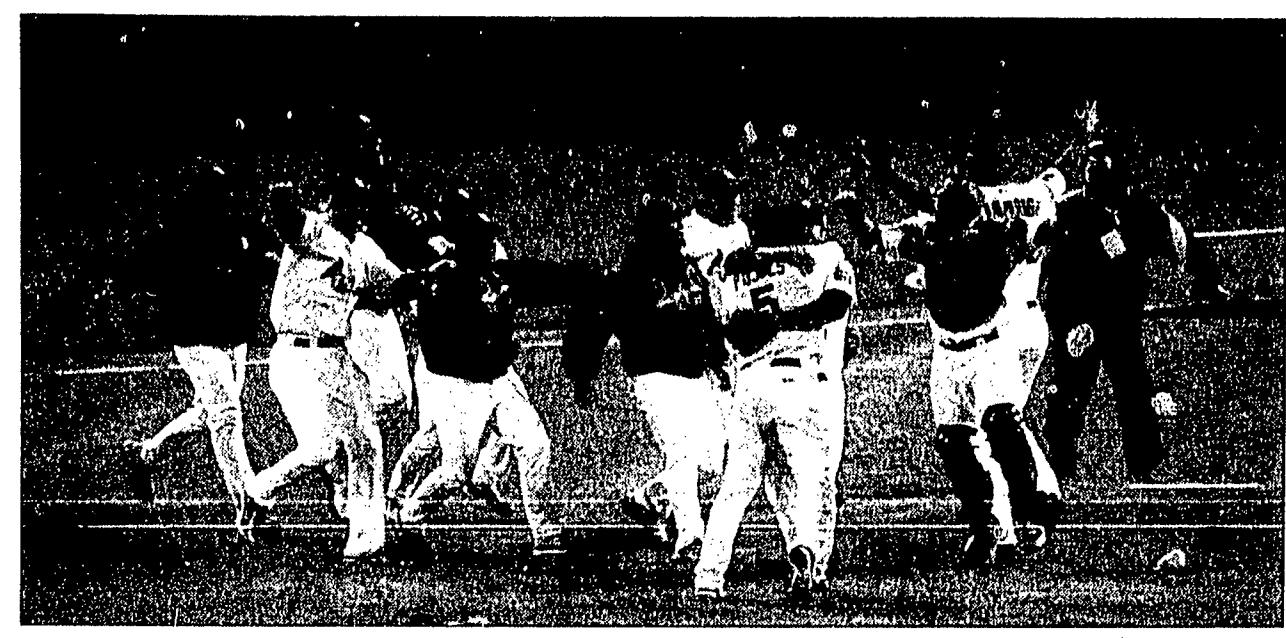
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The St. Louis Cardinals rejoice and celebrate after they won the World Series Friday against the Detroit Tigers.

24-year wait ends

The whole Midwest heard the roar coming from Missouri Friday night. However, if you listened closely you could hear two different responses from the Show-Me State.

On the east side of the state, a large and triumphant yell of joy filled the air, along with a sigh of relief as to say, "Yes, the wait is finally over."

But on the west side, the mood was somber. It was as if all of that side of the state let out one resounding curse word at the same time and then, almost in unison, shook their heads in disbelief.

Yes, Royals fans, now what? Don Denkinger is sleeping better tonight.

Try throwing '85 at us now, because it won't do any good, our most recent World Championship wasn't before the fall of the Berlin Wall.

Yes, it's a great day to be a Cardinals fan.

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post-World Series victory was the Royals fans who one-by-one painfully congratulated members of Cardinal Nation.

You could tell in their eyes and in their voice that this hurt as bad as getting teeth pulled or, well, watching a Royals game.

Yes, it's a great month to be a Cardinals fan.

Of all the postseasons I can remember, I did the least amount of trash-talking. As Royal fans (and Tiger fans all of a sudden) started to chime in and say it would be over in a week, I just smiled and nodded, thinking, "Just you wait and see, Tony and the boys are going to shut you up."

Finally, Tony LaRussa got his championship with the Cards and with the least likely team. It goes to show that it doesn't matter if you are only five games above .500 going into the playoffs, as long as you believe you can do it, it doesn't matter what anyone else thinks.

So when the town went nuts Friday night, it was understandable. Too long have we withheld the classic Cardinals meltdown. Maybe more painful than any stretch of the 24-year drought, were the six previous seasons.

From 2000 to 2005, the Cardinals reached the playoffs five times.

In 2000, the Mets triumphed. In 2001, the Diamondbacks ended the "Cards" season way too early. In 2002, which was supposed to be "the year" the Giants ruined the wind-out of the Cardinals sail. In 2003, the dreaded Cubs won the division—but then found a way to lose in traditional Cubs fashion. Then the past two seasons, when the Cardinals were a 100-plus win powerhouse—they collapsed.

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No longer will I have to sit all postseason—and offseason—wondering if this will be the

What's your horoscope?

Today's Birthday (11-02-06)

This year is about discovering and using the power of love. There's no trick involved; in fact, sincerity is required. Anticipate miracles.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating. 10 is the easiest day. 0 is the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Today is a 7 — You're in a better position, financially, than you may realize. You don't have to work harder; use what you already have.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Today is an 8 — You know you've done well when the people you've taught know how to take care of you. Let them do that a little while longer.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Today is a 7 — There's a saint who got involved by doing little things very well. She's watching over you now, very carefully.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Today is a 9 — Quality time is not a few moments grabbed from a busy day. It's a day grabbed from a busy life, and savored with those you love.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 6 — You don't have to pay for everything. Let the rest of the family pitch in. You're the Captain of the team; you're not the Sugar Daddy or Momma.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 5 — You can solve the puzzle, so go ahead and do it. Don't be put off by a person who has more opinion than intelligence.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a 5 — Finally, you can afford to get that item that makes your life easy. Do the homework so you don't spend too much for a product that doesn't work.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is a 9 — Don't go public with your plans until you've discussed them further. You and a loved one can get past a seemingly insurmountable problem. Or find a way around it.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 5 — You may have felt overwhelmed, thinking you have to do it all. You can't do it all, that's obvious. Stop worrying and start recruiting.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is an 8 — The more information you gather, the stronger you become. Something that used to give you the creeps will soon be pretty much ho-hum.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is a 5 — Since you're naturally a perfectionist, continue to do the job until you're satisfied. When you are, you can bet the others will be, too. It's a good investment.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Today is an 8 — Continue to formulate your plans, but don't broadcast them yet. Only discuss your intentions with people who can help manifest them.

-STROLLER

Your Man goes drag for Halloween fun

It's that time of the year again. High-heeled boots, fish net stockings and over-the-top wigs are once again worn with confidence.

Typically, Halloween is just a non-stop party at the collegiate level. However, I find that many people use the spirit of this day to break certain social barriers. Cross-dressing isn't the only way to defy social taboos.

Technically, as "adults," college students are usually not found in public dressed as their favorite superhero or fictional character. Given their right amount of alcoholic persuasion and the Halloween season, a fair number of collegiate celebrators will prance through the streets, loudly declaring their hero's motto until they are confronted by their arch nemesis—Campus Safety.

The male and female cross-dressers have a slightly different dilemma—safety. Thanks to well-crafted costumes and makeup jobs, sometimes, depending on the level of alcoholic consumption, a cross-dresser will be assaulted. It is because of this violence that these kings and queens of drag will travel only in packs. In order to take in the atmosphere of the night, I gazed upon numerous streets briefly. The men always seem slightly agitated; at first I thought it was due to a couple tricks

I really can't wait until next Halloween.



Hi-Strollers

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

PRIDEFUL PERFORMANCE



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Tom Frenchman of Topeka, Kan., dances during the opening ceremony of Saturday's powwow. Frenchman is wearing traditional attire of the Delaware tribe. The powwow, in its third year, is an event many students and community members look forward to.

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